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5)□ 6)⊠ 7)□	4) Claim(s) 1-30 is/are pending in the application.  4a) Of the above claim(s) 10,18,19 and 28-30 is/are withdrawn from consideration.  5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.  6) Claim(s) 1-9,11-17 and 20-27 is/are rejected.  7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.  8) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.										
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12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) □ All b) □ Some * c) ☒ None of:  1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  2. □ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No  3. □ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.											
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# DETAILED ACTION

#### Election/Restrictions

1. This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species: Group I – Figures 6-9, Group II – Figures 10-13. The species are independent or distinct because they would require a different technical search.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, claims 1-6, 11-14, 16, 20-26, 29 and 30 are deemed generic.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which depend from or otherwise require all the limitations of an allowable generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species.

MPEP § 809.02(a).

2. During a telephone conversation with Jun Jeon on June 15, 2007 a provisional election was made without traverse to prosecute the invention of Group 1, claims 1-9,

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11-17 and 20-27. Affirmation of this election must be made by applicant in replying to this Office action. Claims 10, 18, 19, and 28-30 are withdrawn from further consideration by the examiner, 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

## Specification

3. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: on page 12, line 26 of the specification, the phrase "is formed form" should be "is formed from".
Appropriate correction is required.

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 4. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 5. Claims 1-5, 11, and 13-16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Park et al. in US Publication 2002/0074032 in view of Chiu in US Patent 5062178. Park teaches a collapsible canopy frame having a plurality of elongated side poles (37) having a side and an end and a plurality of wheel assemblies (39). Park fails to teach that the wheel assemblies have a mounting post. Chiu teaches a wheel assembly having a wheel (1) and a mounting post (2) extending transverse to the pole (4) on which it is supported. Chiu further teaches that the wheel assembly is

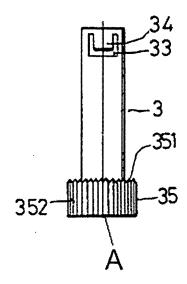
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removably supported on the pole (the fact that the wheel is not integral to the pole is sufficient to indicate removability), that the mounting post extends through the side of the pole (through hole 411), that the assembly further comprises a bracket comprising a foot bracket (3), the bracket having an opening (in 35) aligned with an opening (411) in the pole, that the mounting post is removably secured in the bracket (the fact that the mounting post is not integral to the bracket is sufficient to indicate removability). Chiu further teaches that the foot bracket comprises a first side surface (33) and a second side surface (A), the first side surface having a first opening (31) therethrough, receiving the mounting post (Best seen in Figure 4) and including at least one resilient tongue (32) which engages a recess (21) in the mounting post. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify the device of Park et al. by using an assembly as taught by Chiu to attach a wheel to each of the poles of the canopy device in order to provide a removable wheel assembly for the user.

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Chiu, Figure 3A

6. Claims 20-23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Park et al. in US Publication 2002/0074032 in view of Chiu in US Patent 5062178. Park teaches a collapsible canopy frame having a plurality of elongated side poles (37) having a side and an end and a plurality of wheel assemblies (39) at the ends of the poles. Park fails to teach that the wheel assemblies have a mounting post. Chiu teaches a wheel assembly having a wheel (1) and a mounting post (2) extending transverse to and through the side (through hole 411) of the pole (4) on which it is supported. Chiu teaches a bracket (3) mounted at the end of each pole comprising an opening (31) aligned with an opening (411) in the pole. Chiu further teaches that the wheel assembly is removably supported on the pole (the fact that the wheel is not integral to the pole is sufficient to indicate removability), that a portion of each bracket is disposed in the interior of the pole (Best seen in Figure 4) and that the mounting post is removably

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secured to the bracket (the fact that the mounting post is not integral to the bracket is sufficient to indicate removability). It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of invention to modify the device of Park et al. by using an assembly as taught by Chiu to attach a wheel to each of the poles of the canopy device in order to provide a removable wheel assembly for the user.

## Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 6-9, 12, 17 and 24-27 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

### Conclusion

8. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Schultz and Haydock teach wheel assemblies.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Noah C. Hawk whose telephone number is 571-272-1480. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9am to 5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Dunn can be reached on 571-272-6670. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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